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VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK PROTOCOLS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected
Application Papers dated March 23, 2001, submitted herewith is
an Abstract in connection with the above-captioned
application. A copy of the Notice from the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office is enclosed. Also enclosed is a Petition for
Extension of Time which extends the due date for which this
response is due until June 23, 2001.

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Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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